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VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

John Warren McGarry
Chairman
Federal Election Commission
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: MUR 4632

Dear Mr. McGarry:

I serve as counsel to the Republican Party of Nevada, respondent in the above-referenced matter. (The Statement of Designation of Counsel is enclosed for your files.) As such, your letter dated April 29, 1997, to Ronald F. Ryan (Treasurer of the Nevada State Republican Central Committee) was referred to me for a response. I have had an opportunity to review your letter, the Factual And Legal Analysis prepared by your office, and the proposed Conciliation Agreement with my client and offer the following response.

First, the Republican Party of Nevada neither materially disputes nor challenges the substantive Factual And Legal Analysis. It recognizes that during the time period in question, there was a lack of both communication and continuity between those individuals who held the office of Treasurer. While not excusable, we can assure you that any failures to strictly comply with the Federal Election Campaign Act and related statutes was unintentional. The Republican Party of Nevada has taken both extreme and expensive measures to ensure that violations such as the ones alleged do not occur in the future. In fact, a review of the Party's filings over the past 14 months reveals that all monthly reports have been timely filed and there has been a timely response to all requests for amendments and clarifications.

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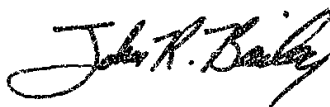
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We appreciate your thoughtful consideration of our position on this matter. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



John R. Bailey

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Enclosure

cc: John Mason, Chairman
Executive Board Members
Dan Burdish, Executive Director

STATEMENT OF DESIGNATION OF COUNSEL

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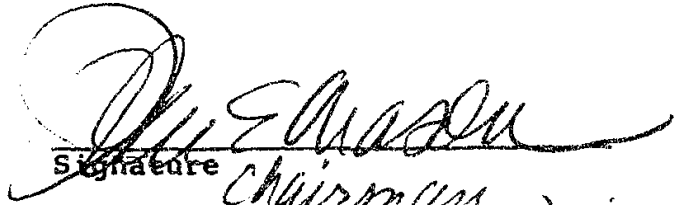
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The above-named individual is hereby designated as my
counsel and is authorized to receive any notifications and other
communications from the Commission and to act on my behalf before
the Commission.

5/14/97
Date


Signature
Chairman
Nevada State Republican
Central Committee

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